

PRESENCE WATCHER PROXY

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 A presence proxy (40) maintains presence
information concerning a number of mobile units (80,
85) user agents (72, 74, 76, 78) and retains the
presence information should the requesting user agent
(10) be unavailable. Further, presence proxy 40
10 provides lists of user agents about which a particular
user agent (10) is interested in having presence
information. Further, presence proxy (40) maintains
and minimizes a number of notify messages (126) sent to
user agent (10). Lastly, presence proxy (40) maintains
15 information when a user agent (10) loses or drops
access (150) to the network (20).

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